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Washington, D.C. 20231

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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

This is a request for filing a continuation under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of pending prior international application number PCT/FR00/02224 filed on 2 August 2000, entitled "METHOD FOR SURFACE POLISHING OF AN OPTICAL ARTICLE USING A SOLVENT OR A MIXTURE OF SOLVENTS," which designated the United States.

1. Enclosed is a copy of prior application PCT/FR00/02224 as published, including specification and claims. The undersigned hereby verifies that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application as published and identified above, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

(a) The inventorship is the same as prior application PCT/FR00/02224.

(b) Deletion of inventor(s). Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

(c) Priority of foreign patent application number 99/10230, filed 6 August 1999 in France is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(e).

The certified copy:

is enclosed.

will follow.

2. Enclosed is a check in the amount of **\$740.00** to cover the filing fee as calculated below and the fee for any new claims added in the Preliminary Amendment referred to in Clause No. 7 below.

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION
LESS CLAIMS CANCELED/ADDED IN PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
Basic Fee				\$740.00
Total Claims	17 - 20 =	0 X	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0 X	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)				\$-0.00
Assignment Recording Fee: (\$40.00 per assignee)				\$0.00
			TOTAL FILING FEES:	\$740.00

3. The Commissioner is requested to grant Applicant a filing date in accordance with Rule 1.53, and supply Applicant with a Notice of Missing Parts in due course, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 1.53(f).

4. Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status for this application.

5. If the check is missing or insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 which may be required for any reason relating to this application, or credit any overpayment to Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/10201181/MBW.

6. Enclosed is a current Power of Attorney.

7. Enclosed is an Inventor declaration.

8. Address all future communications to:

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9. The application is/will be assigned to ESSILOR INTERNATIONAL COMPAGNIE GENERALE d'OPTIQUE, Charenton Cedex, France. The assignment:

is enclosed.

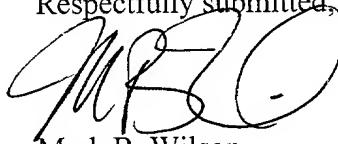
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10. Enclosed is a preliminary amendment. Any additional fees incurred by this amendment are included in the check at No. 2 above and said fee has been calculated after calculation of claims and after amendment of claims by the preliminary amendment.

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- 11. Cancel in this application claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained).
- 12. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a continuation of co-pending international application filed --.
- 13. Enclosed are formal drawings.
- 14. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.
 - (a) PTO-1449.
 - (b) Copies of IDS citations.
- 15. Other: English translation of PCT/FR00/02224; Form PCT/IB/304 (Notice of Transmission of Priority Document--in French); International Preliminary Examination Report (in French); Application Data Sheet.
- 16. Return Receipt Postcard (should be specifically itemized).

Respectfully submitted,



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